

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended): A computer system, comprising:

an input system that receives in electronic ink format a property value of data that is metadata associated with a document or file on or accessible by the computer system as part of a file or document save operation;

a storage system that stores the property value of electronic ink data associated with the document or file in electronic ink format; and

an ink access system that allows the operating system to access at least some of the stored property value in electronic ink data format; and

a rendering system for rendering the stored property value in electronic ink format.

2 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the property value in electronic ink data format includes an electronic ink title for the document or file.

3 (canceled)

4 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 32, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file list operation.

5 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 32, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file preview operation.

6 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 32, wherein the title is rendered in a title bar visible on a display of the computer system.

7 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 32, wherein the title is rendered in an application bar visible on a display of the computer system.

8 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the input system is activated in response to data—a command from an application program indicating requesting activation of that electronic ink input ~~should be activated~~ with respect to at least one document or file in the application program.

9 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the input system receives the received property value in electronic ink format is assigned as a title of the document or file ~~data as part of a save operation.~~

10 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the input system receives the property value in electronic ink data-format when an electronic ink title is added to an existing document or file.

11 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the input system is further configured to receives the electronic ink data when at least some from a user a change to the property value in electronic ink format data ~~data~~ associated with the document or file ~~is changed by a user.~~

12 (currently amended): A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the property value in electronic ink data-format includes at least one ~~member selected from the group of:~~ an electronic ink title; and an electronic ink author identification, ~~and an electronic ink keyword.~~

13 (currently amended): A method, comprising:

receiving in electronic ink data that is metadata associated with format a property value of a document or file on or accessible by a computer as part of a file or document save operation;

storing the property value of the document or file in electronic ink data-format; and

providing operating system access to ~~at least some of the stored~~ property value in electronic ink format data; and

rendering the stored property value in electronic ink format.

14 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, wherein the property value in electronic ink data-format includes an electronic ink title for the document or file.

15 (canceled)

16 (currently amended): A method according to claim ~~14~~14, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file list operation.

17 (currently amended): A method according to claim ~~14~~14, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file preview operation.

18 (currently amended): A method according to claim ~~14~~14, wherein the title is rendered in a title bar visible on a display of the computer.

19 (currently amended): A method according to claim ~~14~~14, wherein the title is rendered in an application bar visible on a display of the computer.

20 (canceled)

21 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, further comprising:
receiving input from an application program activating an electronic ink input system for receiving the property value in electronic ink data-format associated with the document or file.

22 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, further comprising:
~~inputting-assigning the received property value in electronic ink data-format as a title of the document or file~~part of a save operation.

23 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, wherein ~~the~~receiving the property value in electronic ink data-format includes adding the property value in electronic ink format~~data~~ as an electronic ink title to an existing document or file.

24 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, ~~wherein the receiving the electronic ink data includes further including receiving from a user changes to the property value in relating to at least some of the electronic ink data~~ format associated with the document or file.

25 (currently amended): A method according to claim 24, wherein the property value in electronic ink format is a title and the changes in to the property value in electronic ink format data associated with the document or file includes changes in to an electronic ink title for the document or file.

26 (currently amended): A method according to claim 13, wherein the property value in electronic ink data format includes at least one member selected from the group of: an electronic ink title, an electronic ink author identification, ~~an electronic ink keyword, and an electronic ink comment.~~

27 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium including computer-executable instructions stored thereon for performing a method, comprising:

receiving in electronic ink data that is metadata associated with format a property value of a document or file on or accessible by a computer as part of a file or document save operation;

storing the property value of the document or file in electronic ink data format; and

providing operating system access to at least some of the stored property value in electronic ink format data; and

rendering the stored property value in electronic ink format.

28 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein the property value in electronic ink data format includes an electronic ink title for the document or file.

29 (canceled)

30 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim ~~29~~²⁸, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file list operation.

31 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim ~~29~~²⁸, wherein the title is rendered as part of a file preview operation.

32 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim ~~29~~²⁸, wherein the title is rendered in a title bar visible on a display of the computer.

33 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim ~~29~~²⁸, wherein the title is rendered in an application bar visible on a display of the computer.

34 (canceled)

35 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein the method further includes:

receiving input from an application program activating an electronic ink input system for receiving the property value in electronic ink ~~data~~ format associated with the document or file.

36 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein the method further includes assigning the received property value in electronic ink ~~data~~ format as a title of the document or file ~~is received as part of a save operation.~~

37 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein ~~the~~ receiving the property value in electronic ink ~~data~~ format includes adding the property value in electronic ink ~~format~~ data as an electronic ink title to an existing document or file.

38 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein the method further includes receiving the electronic ink data ~~includes receiving from a user changes to the property value in~~ relating to at least some of the electronic ink data format associated with the document or file.

39 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 38, wherein the property value in electronic ink format is a title and the changes to the property value in electronic ink format includes changes in to an electronic ink title for the document or file.

40 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein the property value in electronic ink data format includes at least one member selected from the group of: an electronic ink title, an electronic ink author identification, an electronic ink keyword, and an electronic ink comment.

41 (currently amended): A method, comprising:

sending data-a command from an application program to an operating system, wherein the data-command requests activation of an electronic ink entry region when-for changing a property value stored in electronic ink format of storing information associated with a document or file on the application program;

receiving the data-command in the operating system; and

sending a user interface including the electronic ink entry region to the application program; and-when the application program seeks to store information associated with a document or file

displaying the user interface including the electronic ink entry region with the property value in electronic ink format, the electronic ink entry region adapted to receive electronic ink input to change the property value stored in electronic ink format of the document or file.

42 (currently amended): A method according to claim 41, wherein the data-command is sent from the application program to the operating system as part of a call requesting return of the user interface and activation of a process for storing data-changing the property value stored in electronic ink format of the associated with a document or file present on the application program.

43 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium including computer-executable instructions stored thereon for performing a method, comprising:

receiving data-a command from an application program at an operating system, wherein the data-command requests activation of an electronic ink entry region for changing a property value stored in electronic ink format of~~when storing information associated with a document or file on the application program;~~ and

sending a user interface including the electronic ink entry region to the application program in response to the command~~when the application program seeks to store information associated with a document or file;~~ and

displaying the user interface including the electronic ink entry region with the property value in electronic ink format, the electronic ink entry region adapted to receive electronic ink input to change the property value stored in electronic ink format of the document or file.

44 (currently amended): A computer-readable medium according to claim 43, wherein the ~~data~~ command is sent from the application program to the operating system as part of a call requesting return of the user interface and activation of a process for ~~storing data~~ changing the property value stored in electronic ink format of the~~associated with a document or file present on the application program.~~